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### YAMAP0347USB

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Uriu, et al

Art Unit: 2832

Serial No: 09/525,247

Examiner: T. Nguyen

Filed: March 15, 2000

For:

INDUCTOR AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME

### **REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 15, 2004**

VIA FACSIMILE
M/S AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Reply is filed as a complete response to the Office Action mailed June 15, 2004, for which a one month time for reply was set. Accordingly, Applicants' Reply is timely filed.

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# RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Claims 8-10, 12-14 and 21-55 are pending in the present application. In the Office action, the Examiner imposed an election of species requirement. The Examiner asserted that the application contains claims directed to the following allegedly patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Embodiment 1:	Fig. 1, Ex. 1
Embodiment 2:	Ex. 2
Embodiment 3:	Fig. 8, Ex. 3
Embodiment 4:	Fig. 9, Ex. 4
Embodiment 5:	Ex. 5
Embodiment 6:	Ex. 6
Embodiment 7:	Fig. 12, Ex. 7
Embodiment 8:	Fig. 15, Ex. 8
Embodiment 9:	Fig. 18, Ex. 18 (presumably Ex. 9 since no Ex. 18)

In accordance with the Examiner's requirement and the rules of practice, Applicants elect the species of Embodiment 9, Fig. 18, for initial examination on the merits.

Claims 8, 9, 12, 13, 51 and 52 are readable on this species.

Claim 8 is generic.

The Examiner contended that none of the claims are generic; Applicants traverse this contention based on the fact that claim 8 is generic.

Applicants submitthat the presently pending claims distinguish over the prior art and are in condition for allowance. Notice to such effect is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner consider that a telephone interview would be helpful to facilitate favorable prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below. If any additional fees are required for the filing of this paper, Applicants request the Commissioner to charge those fees to deposit account #18-0988, docket no. YAMAP0347USB.

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Respectfully submitted,

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